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Two Winston-Salem hospitals compete to add beds

RALEIGH – North Carolina Baptist Hospital and Forsyth Medical Center have filed competing applications with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to add acute care beds.

A public hearing for these projects will be held at 11 a.m. on Dec. 12 in the Civic Center, 301 East Main St., Jamestown.

The 2007 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP) has identified a need for 26 additional acute care beds in Forsyth County. Two applications were received. A summary of the proposals follows:

- North Carolina Baptist Hospital proposes to add 26 acute care beds. The project is expected to cost about \$357,000.
- Forsyth Medical Center proposes to add 26 acute care beds at the Winston-Salem campus. The project is expected to cost about \$1.1 million.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Dec. 3 at the following address:

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